



Proclamation

To all to whom these Presents may come, Greetings:

- WHEREAS:** DAYS OF PRAYER HAVE BEEN PART OF OUR NATIONS TRADITION SINCE 1775 AND, IN 1988, CONGRESS UNANIMOUSLY DESIGNATED THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MAY AS A NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER; AND
- WHEREAS:** THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR PRAYER HAS DESIGNATED THE FIRST WEEK IN MAY 2005 AS PRAYER WEEK, WITH THE THEME, GOD SHED HIS GRACE ON THEE; AND
- WHEREAS:** AS PART OF THIS NATIONAL CELEBRATION, A NUMBER OF STATES ACROSS THE NATION WILL RECOGNIZE THE POWER OF PRAYER BY PARTICIPATING IN EVENTS TO BRING CITIZENS TOGETHER TO PRAY FOR OUR SCHOOLS, LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND COUNTRY; AND
- WHEREAS:** THIS TIME HAS BEEN SET ASIDE TO GIVE THANKS FOR THE MANY BLESSINGS OUR CITY HAS RECEIVED; AND
- WHEREAS:** IT IS FITTING THAT WE FOCUS ON THE NEED FOR COMPASSION, HEALING AND RECONCILIATION IN OUR COMMUNITIES.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRED L. ARMSTRONG, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA,
DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 5, 2005 AS

DAY OF PRAYER

IN COLUMBUS, AND INVITE ALL RESIDENTS TO PRAY WITH DILIGENCE AND OBEDIENCE AND
TO JOIN ME IN WORKING FOR PEACE AND UNITY FOR ALL PEOPLE.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HERE UNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE
CITY OF COLUMBUS TO BE AFFIXED THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2005.**

Signed

Fred L. Armstrong
Mayor, City of Columbus, Indiana